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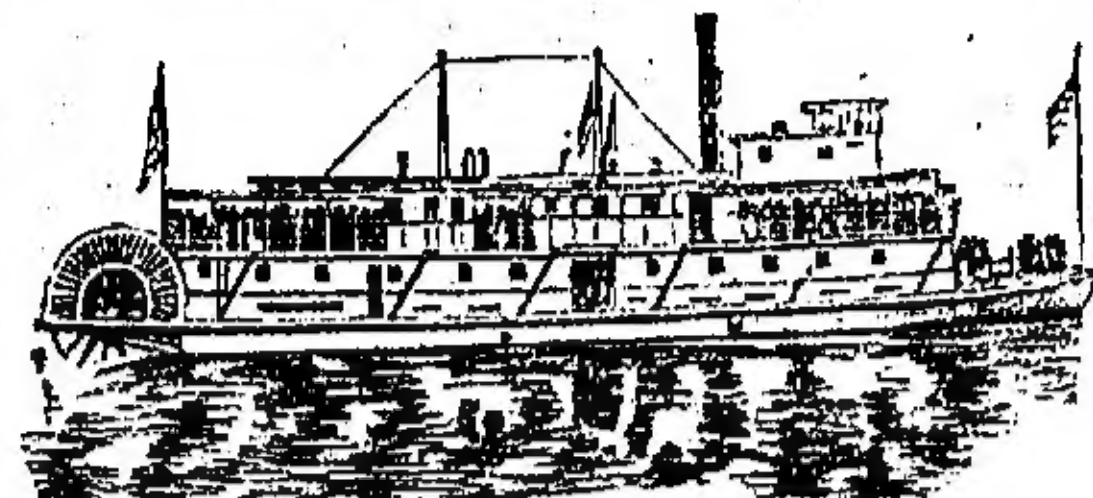
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6 p.m.—Military Gun Practice.

Goods per Ballarat not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

Goods per Panama undelivered after noon on this date will be landed.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, February 18:

10 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at the City Hall.

Transfer Books of The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 5th March inclusive.

Goods per Nansang undelivered after noon on this date landed.

MONDAY, February 22:

8 a.m.—Meeting of Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

WEDNESDAY, February 24:

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THURSDAY, February 25:

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DEATH.

At Yokohama, on the 5th February, HENRY COLLINS (foreman printer of the *Japan Herald*); aged 60 years.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.50 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1904.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

The English Mail of the 16th January was delivered in London on the 13th Feb.

It is announced that King Edward VII will visit the German Kaiser in July next.

The death is announced, at Melbourne, of the once noted politician, Sir Graham Berry.

The King and Queen are to visit Ireland, reaching there on 23rd May, and remaining ten days.

The Pope has consented to sit for his bust to Herr Limburg, the German sculptor. Herr Limburg is a recent convert to the Roman Catholic Church.

Union Church Literary Club.

We are asked to remind our readers that a lecture on 'Pictures and Picture Making' will be given in the Union Church Hall this evening, at 8 p.m., by Mr. Stubbs.

'His Excellency'

The Hongkong A.D.C. appears again to-night in 'His Excellency'. Yesterday, a rehearsal was held, and there is likely to be an improvement upon Saturday's excellent performance.

A Fashionable Wedding.

On the 20th January, at the residence of the Rev. D. H. Gillan, of the Church of Scotland, Allshab, to Miss H. Drummond, daughter of Mr. P. Drummond. A large and fashionable gathering was present, including Lady Fraser, the wife of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.

A Shipwreck.

The *Singapore Free Press* of the 10th inst. says:—Captain Rackhouse of the British steamer *Banks*, which arrived here this morning from Low Island, one of the Natuna Group, reports that on the 7th instant while on the passage from Bangoran to Low Island he observed a vessel, apparently a schooner, on a reef about 14 miles south of Elphinstone Rock. The vessel was nearly under water, and the sea was breaking clean over her. There were no signs of life on board.

Shanghai Volunteer Corps.

The 4th of April of this year being the 50th Anniversary of the formation of the Corps, a suggestion that the occasion would be a suitable one on which to have a reunion of past and present Members at a dinner in London has been favourably received by Mr. R. C. Antibus, Mr. P. Maclean, Mr. G. J. Morrison and Mr. Cecil Holaday, ex-Commanding Officers of the Corps. A circular has been issued, and a meeting is to be called at an early date to appoint a Committee.

Band at King Edward Hotel.

By kind permission of Major Radcliffe and Officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the above Hotel, during dinner, on Friday, the 19th February:—

March 'John Bull' Ord Hume
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Selection 'The Duchess of' Danzic
Romance 'Bouquet' Ivan Caryll
Selection 'Pepita' Lecocq
Valse 'Amour, Amour' Alfano
Intermezzo 'Pendant la Bal' Gillet
GOD SAVE THE KING.

The Dallas Comedy Company.

The Dallas Musical Comedy Company arrived by the German mail steamer *Roon* this morning. The Company comprises twenty members, almost all new to Hongkong, with Mr. Percival Knight (who made such a hit when the Company was last here) in the leading parts. It is stated by our Singapore contemporaries that the Company is better than any combination ever sent to the Far East by Mr. Dallas. For the opening night (Monday), 'A Chinese Honeymoon' will be staged, and as the Company is strong in dancers and singers a treat is in store for theatre-goers.

An Enjoyable Dance.

A very enjoyable dance was held at the rooms of the Royal Ancient Order of Buffaloes on Tuesday night. The dancing room was tastefully decorated and the other rooms were hung with flags and greenery. After a long and varied programme was concluded, the dance broke up, amid universal regret. The committee worked hard for the success of the dance and the result attained was very satisfactory.

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TELEGRAMS.

['CHINA MAIL'S' EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]
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THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

RUSSIAN PREPARATIONS.

Vladivostock Weak.

LONDON, February 16.

The Russians are very active in Newchwang. All the fortifications are being strengthened, and the Naval and Military commands are being re-organised.

Refugees from Vladivostock report that the town is in a very unsettled state, and is unprepared to resist an attack.

Viceroy Alexieff and his staff have left Port Arthur for Harbin.

['CHINA MAIL'S' SPECIAL SERVICE.]

THE JAPANESE CRUISERS.

Arrival at Japan.

(From Our Special War Correspondent.)

TOKIO, February 17, 10.45 a.m.

The Japanese cruisers *Nyushin* and *Kasuga* arrived at Yokosuka yesterday.

RUSSIANS IN KOREA.

Troops Moving South.

Russian troops have crossed the Yalu River, and invaded Korea. A large force of Russians is massed at Anju, on the Cheng-chen-gang, and at Pyongyang, forty miles further south.

At Antung-hsien, on the Yalu River, Russian soldiers are also concentrated.

ANOTHER ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR.

Damage Unknown.

It is officially stated that a second attack has been made on Port Arthur by the Japanese. Just before daylight on Sunday, 14th instant, two Japanese (cruisers) and several torpedo-boats attacked the Russian ships. The forts opened fire on the Japanese, but without effect. Darkness prevented the Japanese from ascertaining whether there were any Russian vessels sunk.

Mr. Taro Hotsumi, local manager of the Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd., writes to us as follows:—

I am in receipt of a wire dated 17th inst., 2 p.m., from our Yokohama head office, as follows:—On the 14th inst., at 4 a.m., our torpedo flotilla badly damaged the Russian fleet lying in the outer roadstead at Port Arthur.

THE PORT ARTHUR ATTACK.

The 'Petrovsk' Damaged.

(From Our Special War Correspondent.)

TOKIO, February 18, 9.50 a.m.

It is reported that during the attack on Port Arthur the Russian battleship *Petrovsk* was seriously damaged.

[The *Petrovsk* is a turret battleship of 10,900 tons displacement. She was built in St. Petersburg in 1894 at a cost of £1,000,000. She has a steel hull, and is protected with a belt of 15 inches of armour, and her deck plating is 3 inches. Her length is 367 feet 6 inches; beam 69 feet, and draught 26 feet. She is armed with four 12-inch, twelve 5.9-inch q.f., and thirty-four smaller guns.]

JAPANESE RETIRE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Feb. 18, 10.55 a.m.

The Japanese fleet bombarded Port Arthur on the night of the 14th instant. The result of the bombardment is unknown to the Japanese, who apparently withdrew later on, under the fire from the forts.

MANCHURIAN RAILWAY BLOCKED.

Bridge Blown Up.

(From Our Special War Correspondent.)

TOKIO, February 18, 9.50 a.m.

Russian troops have commenced the invasion of Korea, a large number entering the country.

The traffic on the Manchurian Railway is blocked, owing to one of the Railway bridges being blown up by bandits.

RUSSIAN STEAMER CAPTURED.

The Russian steamer *Julia* has been seized in Nagasaki by the Japanese.

[The *Julia* is an iron screw steamer of 1284 tons, built in 1872 by Mr. R. Thompson, John, Sunderland. She is owned by Mr. F. Danneberg, under the name of the *Russian Flag*, and is registered at Odessa. Her length is 224 feet 8 inches, breadth 32 feet 3 inches, and depth 17 feet 4 inches.]

TELEGRAMS.

THE CHINESE LEAVING VLADIVOSTOCK.

Thirty thousand Chinese are withdrawing from Vladivostock and the surrounding districts.

GREAT RECEPTION AT YOKOHAMA.

The officers on the Japanese Cruisers *Nyushin* and *Kasuga* were accorded a magnificent public reception at Yokohama to-day.

THE WAR FUND.

Imperial Contribution.

All the ancient coins and bullion in the treasuries at the Imperial Palace are to be handed to the Bank of Japan to be utilized for the War Fund.

BRITISH CONSULS FOR MANCHURIA.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Feb. 18, 10.6 a.m.

Following the example of the United States, the British Government has appointed Consuls at Mukden and Antung.

THE DEFENCE OF NAGASAKI.

The District of Nagasaki is now in a state of siege. A naval defence line has been created outside the Harbour.

THE MOVEMENT OF JAPANESE TROOPS.

Both Powers Observing Secrecy.

A large number of Japanese transport, conveyed by cruisers, has been sighted proceeding in the direction of Manchuria.

Both Japan and Russia are observing the strictest secrecy with regard to the movements of their forces.

THE NEUTRALITY OF CHINA.

LONDON, February 18.

France has accepted Mr. Hay's note regarding the neutrality of China, and Great Britain has agreed in principle. It is expected that Russia will also concur.

An official Japanese note published in Paris says Japan has advised China to remain neutral with a view of reducing the evils of war to a minimum, although she is well aware of the advantages to be derived from an alliance with China. She now urges China to take effective measures to protect strategic points, and to prevent belligerents from violating Chinese neutrality, from making Chinese ports bases of operations, or from their being used as places of refuge.

THE MANCHURIAN RAILWAY.

Admiral Alexieff admits that attempts have been made to wreck the Manchurian railway, and to blow up the bridge at Sungari. He says these attempts were noticed in time, and the line is now closely guarded.

THE RUSSIAN BLACK SEA FLEET.

LONDON, February 16.

Mr. Akers-Douglas said in the House of Commons that Great Britain had not been approached regarding the passage of the Black Sea fleet through the Dardanelles, and he had no reason to suppose that Russia contemplated such a violation of treaties.

THE UNREST IN RUSSIA.

Government circles in St. Petersburg are uneasy, especially as seditious proclamations are again circulating among the students.

THE RUSSIANS IN MANCHURIA.

Admiral Alexieff has ordered all Japanese in Manchuria to be arrested and conveyed to Port Arthur. Japan has appealed to America to intervene on their behalf.

THE JAPANESE ARMY.

A Russian despatch says the situation at Port Arthur was unchanged on the 14th inst.

Information has been received at Washington that nearly 20,000 Japanese have landed at Chemulpo.

A Silver Wedding.

The *Foochow Echo* of the 6th inst. says:—Yesterday evening, Mr and Mrs Phillips entertained their many friends in Foochow in a manner which was worthy of the occasion—the twenty-fifth anniversary of their Wedding Day. To say that every one of their guests enjoyed the evening's entertainment is superfluous. The musical items were deservedly appreciated. All our local artists being in fine form. Few programmes of which we have had experience, have been so well arranged so as to gratify the taste of all, whether musical, frivolous or temperate. And the evening was the occasion for warm congratulations and good wishes to Mr and Mrs Phillips, in which, on behalf of all our readers, who have the privilege of their friendship and acquaintance, we would most warmly join.

OFFICIAL WAR NEWS.

DRAMATIC ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR.

III-Treatment of Japanese Civilians.

Mr M. Noma, the Japanese Consul, supplied us with the following information:—Tokio, Feb. 17, 4.50 p.m.

On the 13th inst., during a heavy gale and driving snow, our torpedo-destroyer *Botilla* was despatched against Port Arthur.

On the 14th, at 3 a.m., the destroyer *Asagiri*, notwithstanding a violent fire from the Russian ships, succeeded in approaching one of their men-of-war and torpedoed her. With the aid of her own guns, she drove back the Russian torpedo boats sent to attack her, and got away in safety.

At 5 a.m. on the same day, the destroyer *Hayator* crept up to the entrance of the port, was met by a violent fire from two Russian vessels, one of which she torpedoed, and after seeing the explosion take place under that ship, she withdrew in safety.

Japanese on British Ships.

TOKIO, Feb. 17, 6.25 p.m.

Japanese refugees coming to Chefoo from Port Arthur by the British steamer *Wanchow* give the following information:—

On the night of the 8th inst., the Russian authorities in Port Arthur informed the Japanese residents, who were preparing to leave, that they would not be allowed to embark on the British steamer *Russer*, and at midnight they were served with notices forbidding them to leave the port—this by order of Admiral Alexieff. Numerous others who were already on board the S.S. *Wanchow* ready to leave for Chefoo were placed under the guard of eight Russian soldiers. They were not allowed to land and the steamer was forbidden to move by the Russian authorities. More than two hundred Japanese had taken refuge on board this steamer, and they were practically starving.

Application was made on several occasions to Admiral Alexieff to allow these unfortunate to procure food. At last, on the night of the 10th instant, ten bags of rice and half a dozen biscuits were allowed to be taken on board. On the 11th, as there was no more drinking water on board, a signal was hoisted asking for some to be sent, but no answer was received to this request. On the 13th, the suffering passengers, having been nearly forty-eight hours without water, sent an appeal to the authorities requesting that food and water should at least be sent out for the children and pregnant women, who were on board. On the same day, 103 Japanese arrived from Harbin, having been robbed of all their money and baggage on the way down. More than three hundred refugees were now on board the *Wanchow*, all in the most pitiable condition, starving and without water. On the 14th, at 4 p.m., the ship was allowed to proceed, and she arrived in Chefoo on the morning of the 15th.

The passengers state that a complete state of confusion and anarchy exists at Port Arthur. The city is overrun by thieves, and the Russian soldiers are themselves plundering the houses and shops, their own countrymen being among the victims. The Russian civilians are striving themselves to protect their property against the soldiery.

SWATOW NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SWATOW, February 9.

An attempted robbery occurred last night at Ampou, about 12 miles from Swatow. Strong resistance was made, the fight lasting 3 hours. Three of the robbers were killed and two captured. The inhabitants of this place are for the most part retired wealthy merchants; small wonder, therefore, that their tranquillity should occasionally be disturbed in the above manner. To encourage the poorer classes to oppose these attacks, the gentry have made it a rule, in the event of a man getting killed, to defray his burial expenses, and in addition to make a grant of \$300 to his family, as a sort of recompense for the loss of one of its members. Robberies are of frequent occurrence at this port lately. In the harbour about three weeks ago a cargo-boat laden with 600 tons of kerosene was captured by robbers—three of the crew were on shore and one only remained on board—the latter was bound and gagged, while the kerosene was being carried off. No captures were made. The merchants are awakening to the fact that it would not be a bad idea to have the harbour patrolled at night by a steam-launch. I understand that they met quite recently to talk this matter over.

A BRILLIANT BEACON.

A reflection of an apparently large conflagration was seen last night behind Swatow which caused no little consternation to the residents at Kichich—on the other side of the river. The cause of the blaze turned out to be the lighting of a huge stack of paddy straw at Kichwa some miles distant.

ARRESTED CAPTAIN.

The British Consul received late last night a telegram from Hongkong to arrest a foreigner named Jenkins, an absconding employee of one of the principal hotels of Hongkong, who is wanted on a charge of embezzlement. This smart young man was bound for Tamsui where he expected to be 'handed in'; unfortunately for him, however, he met an acquaintance of his here and postponed his departure until the next steamer. A warrant was issued by the British Consul for his arrest and carried into effect the same night.

He will be escorted to Hongkong to-day by the Constable attached to H. B. M. Consulate.

OF course, there is a considerable difference between the hotels conducted on the European plan and those on the American plan. On the European plan you mostly pay for what you want and on the American plan you pay for what you don't want.

CANTON NOTES.

(From our Own Correspondent.)
CANTON, February 12.
RECENT INQUIRY.
Money is exceedingly tight amongst Chinese business men, and I hear that the silk merchants particularly are hard-pressed. Raw silk has declined about \$100 per picul during the past three weeks, but so far no failures are reported.
The City appears to be quiet except for the commencement of the customary festivities.

MURDER OF A REFORMER.
Mr. E. R. Hallifax, acting deputy superintendent of the Hongkong Police, and Detective Inspector Gidley, arrived here on Monday last, with eleven witnesses, who are now being examined at the Nankai Magistrate in the City. The case which the two above-named officials are trying to prove is the murder of the reformer in Hongkong, which occurred some eight or nine months ago, and for which a reward to the amount of \$25,000 was paid in Canton. It will be remembered that the wrong man was assassinated. It is to be hoped that the guilty parties, active and passive, will be brought to book. The case seems an interesting one, and reflects credit on Inspector Gidley, who, I am informed, has had charge of it. The two officials are to be seen going into the City early each day and returning late. It is unlikely that the case will be finished until after the China New Year.

On Thursday last the German gunboat *Luchs* came up and moored off the Bund at 5.30 p.m.

Last night, at about 5 o'clock, a fire broke out in 'Coy Long Street,' which is situated about 100 yards from the Canton side of the Shamoon Creek. It raged furiously for some time and resulted in the destruction of twenty-two houses. Had the wind been favourable, it is possible that part of the Shamoon would have been in danger. This fire originated in a rice shop, which together with the other houses was completely destroyed.

THE TURF.

Some good times were made this morning on the training track. Brilliant's mile in 2.03 was the best made, but Golden Bull and Argentine also ran well. Chou Sai, also, made fast time for three quarters of a mile.

Reunited covered half a mile in 54, the first quarter being timed as 30.

Colomet defeated Shark over the same distance, timed as 34, 1.05.

Zagloba defeated Thibet over half a mile, timed as 32, 1.05.

Two To Two went over the same distance and was timed as 35, 1.06.

Pandemonium defeated Emigrant over 3/4 of a mile, timed as 34, 1.07, 1.40.

Tai Yui defeated Modesty over the same distance in 1.39, the quarters being 35, 1.19, 1.39.

Standard covered three-quarters of a mile in 1.35, the quarters being 37, 1.17, 1.35.

Arra-na-pogue's times for the same distance were 32, 1.05, 1.41.

Che Sui's times for three-quarters of a mile were 34, 1.04, 1.27.

Huron's times for a mile were 35, 1.10, 1.43, 2.14.

Argentine was five seconds faster, the full times being 37, 1.04, 1.36, 2.09.

Muscatel ran 1 1/2 miles, the last four quarters taking 33, 1.06, 1.41, 2.18.

Set's mile was timed as 2.12, the three quarters being 34, 1.06, 1.39, 2.12.

Fun defeated Provost over a mile run in 2.10, the quarters were timed at 37, 1.17, 1.45, 2.19.

Champanque ran a mile in 2.21, the quarters being timed as 38, 1.12, 1.46, 2.21.

Reed Thorpe ran a mile in very slow time, viz. 2.27, the quarters being 38, 1.16, 1.58, 2.27.

Blue Skin was 3 1/2 secs. faster, the times being 36, 1.11, 1.42, 2.24.

Syph Rose's times for the same distance were 38, 1.11, 1.45, 2.18.

Go Bang made the same time as Blue Skin, viz. 2.24, the quarters being 39, 1.17, 1.51, 2.24.

Fiscal was half-a-second slower, the full times being 41, 1.21, 1.54, 2.25.

Golden Bell's mile was timed as 2.06, the quarters being 35, 1.04, 1.38, 2.06.

Brilliant was somewhat faster, the quarters being 35, 1.04, 1.35, 2.03.

Northern Rose galloped 1 1/2 miles in 2.53, the full times being 36, 1.09, 1.43, 2.18, 2.53.

Pandur's times for 1 1/2 miles were 37, 1.14, 1.51, 2.26, 3.01, 3.52.

Eclipse was 4 1/2 seconds slower, the full times being 40, 1.18, 1.53, 2.26, 3.02, 3.57.

Talbot defeated Turbine over 1 1/2 miles run in 2.54, the quarters being 35, 1.10, 1.45, 2.24, 2.54.

Go Bang ran half a mile in 1.08, the first quarter taking 35 secs.

Chiefcain covered one mile in 2.22, the quarters being 34, 1.04, 1.40, 2.22.

Rex was 3 1/2 seconds faster, the full times were 35, 1.11, 1.45, 2.18.

Le Franco Rose galloped one mile and a half in 3.28, the quarters being 38 3/4, 1.13, 1.48, 2.22, 2.56, 3.28.

Alladin defeated Disson over a mile and a half run in 3.27, the quarters of which were timed as 35, 1.09, 1.42, 2.17, 2.52, 3.27.

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CRICKET.

The Dock Co. defeated a team from the Oraigover Cricket Club on Wednesday last by 101 runs. The scores were: Dock Co. 139; Oraigover, 38 runs.

UPPER STAIRS: Fifteen two and a pair makes four, and a Sublime, who was playing cricket with Poppy, who have you in your club? Ah, replied Poppy, absent-mindedly, just the sweetest little coons too—some girl in the world.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

An interesting football match between H.M.S. *Cery* and the Hongkong Football Club was played on Monday afternoon, and resulted in a draw.
Terms were as follows:—
H.M.S. *Cery*: C. C. Hickling, goal; H. C. Austin and E. V. Aoust, backs; H. C. Gray, J. W. C. Bonner and P. R. Wolff, halves; W. H. Williams, C. R. S. Cooper, R. Hancock, R. A. Whitmore, and J. D. Dunbar, forwards.
Oraigover: Todd, goal; Briggs and Macdonald, backs; Martin, Smith and Noyse, halves; Hill, McCoy, Bridge, Mills and Townsend, forwards.
Referee, Sergeant Murphy.

The *Cery* kicked off, and commenced to attack, and some fine play was shown. Both teams played well in the first half and good defence work was shown by the Club. Hancock scored one goal for the Club. In the second spell the game grew exciting, and although the *Cery* team played hard it seemed as though they would lose. Just before time was called Mills scored for them and equalised matters, the game ending one goal each.

CRICKET.

H.M.S. *Cery* UNITED SERVICES.
This cricket match ended yesterday in a win for the Club by an innings and 47 runs. After the dismissal of Turner, the Cricket Club side collapsed and all were out for 437. This is by no means a record score for Hongkong, having been exceeded on at least two occasions, once by the Straits Settlements in the series of Interport matches in 1892. Turner and R. Hancock played excellent cricket, though not absolutely faultless, and Turner's big score included 39 boundary hits. This was the third century he has made this season. Hancock's 130 was his first three-figure innings on the Hongkong ground; on four occasions he has got into the nineties.
Upon the Services going in for a second innings, it was a question whether they could score the single-innings defeat. Heath and Campbell started well, and after Heath's dismissal Campbell continued to play excellent cricket till he was out, between the wickets a delivery from R. Hancock, who just managed to get to it. Gibson played in good form till he was brilliantly caught and bowled by Sercombe Smith. Farquhar and Boyd put on a lot of runs for the last wicket, but the former, who showed a lack of judgment in running, was responsible for the loss of Punnett's wicket, which was thrown down by Turner from cover-point. The Club folding was remarkably good throughout, and the Services found it most difficult to get runs. The first day, distinguished himself by most excellent ground fielding in all positions on the field, and others who might be commended were Cooper, Sercombe Smith, Turner and H. Hancock. Dixon bowled well as usual, but with no luck. The following are the full scores:—

UNITED SERVICES—1st INNINGS.
L. Campbell, R.N., b Mackenzie ... 43
Gibson, R.N., b Cooper ... 44
Toulmin, R.M., c Smith, b Dixon ... 37
L. Heath, 11th Mah, c Mackenzie ... 21
b Cooper ... 70
Major Chichester (capt.), C. S. Smith, b H. Hancock ... 23
Capt. P. G. Davies, A.O.D., c H. Hancock, b Cooper ... 12
Mr Punnett, R.N., b H. Hancock ... 14
Lt. Blair, R.N., b Dixon ... 0
Capt. Farquhar, R.N., b H. Hancock ... 0
Capt. Boyd, R.A., c Smith, b H. Hancock ... 19
Surg. Horley, R.N., not out ... 18
Sundries ... 8
Total ... 210

2nd INNINGS.
Lieut. Campbell, R.N., c and b Hancock ... 31
Lieut. Gibson, R.N., c and b Smith ... 33
Lieut. Toulmin, R.N., b Smith ... 0
Lieut. Heath, 11th Mah, b.w., c Cooper ... 28
Major Chichester, b Cooper ... 5
Capt. P. G. Davies, A.O.D., b Smith ... 9
Mr Punnett, R.N., run out ... 9
Lieut. Blair, R.N., b R. Hancock ... 18
Capt. Farquhar, R.N., c Ponsonby, b Dixon ... 16
Capt. Boyd, R.N., not out ... 25
Surg. Horley, R.N., c Lambie, b Cooper ... 9
Sundries ... 9
Total ... 180

H.M.S. *Cery*.
R. Hancock (capt.), b Gibson ... 130
T. Sercombe Smith, c Campbell ... 16
W. C. D. Turner, c Gibson, b Heath ... 28
H. Hancock, c Campbell, b Heath ... 25
J. T. Lambie, b Heath ... 11
A. G. Ward, c Heath, b Farquhar ... 9
A. Mackenzie, b.w., b Farquhar ... 13
R. Ponsonby, b Heath ... 2
J. R. Gillingham, c Chichester, b Heath ... 3
C. R. S. Cooper, not out ... 4
J. T. Lambie, b Heath ... 0
Sundries ... 25
Total ... 437

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
UNITED SERVICES—1st INNINGS.
Dixon ... 20 ... 5 ... 56 ... 5
Cooper ... 18 ... 4 ... 57 ... 3
R. Hancock ... 6 ... 1 ... 27 ... 0
T. Sercombe Smith ... 3 ... 0 ... 14 ... 0
Mackenzie ... 10 ... 2 ... 20 ... 1
H. Hancock ... 5 ... 2 ... 20 ... 4

2nd INNINGS.
Dixon ... 16 ... 3 ... 53 ... 1
Cooper ... 10 ... 2 ... 33 ... 3
Hancock, R.N. ... 14 ... 2 ... 34 ... 2
Smith, T.B. ... 13 ... 2 ... 33 ... 3
Hancock, H. ... 2 ... 0 ... 8 ... 0

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Toulmin ... 10 ... 2 ... 48 ... 0
Cooper ... 14 ... 0 ... 61 ... 0
Campbell ... 10 ... 0 ... 61 ... 1
Chichester ... 14 ... 2 ... 61 ... 1
Heath ... 12 ... 1 ... 48 ... 6
Farquhar ... 9 ... 1 ... 25 ... 2
Blair ... 8 ... 3 ... 22 ... 0
Gibson ... 8 ... 0 ... 58 ... 4
Davies ... 6 ... 0 ... 39 ... 6

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ANGLO-JAPANESE LOCOMOTIVE AND ENGINEERING CO., LD.

In order to comply with the Companies Ordinances of Hongkong, the first general meeting of this company was held on the afternoon of the 16th inst. at the registered offices of the Company, 39 and 41, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, when Mr Geo. K. Hall Brutton was voted to the chair.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The Chairman reported to the meeting that twelve acres of land, situated near Yokohama, Kanagawa-Ken, has been secured by purchase for 1,000 years, free from all charges except an Imperial tax of 2 1/2 per cent. of the assessed value, for the site of the Company's works in Japan. This land is already levelled, it has a hard solid bottom, and is quite ready for building upon. It has the own wharf and is adjoining the Yokohama-Tokyo line of the Imperial Railway, and it is within 400 yards of the railway station. A more suitable site for our works it would be difficult to imagine, having as it has, water and railway accommodation ample for all its needs, however large the works and business may ultimately develop into. All the plans of the works, including the working drawings, are completed, and they are ready for the shareholders to see. We have received very low tenders from highly responsible contractors for the complete erection of the buildings, the same to be completed within four months of signing the contract. Over 60 per cent. of the capital of the company has been promised, and this will be paid after the Chinese New Year. As soon as the capital is paid in, the Company will proceed with the construction and equipment of the works, which will take about seven months to complete, and be ready to commence the manufacture of locomotives and other machinery.

Within the last few days very favourable offers have been made to the manager, which, if accepted, will in themselves keep a large and important section of our works fully and constantly employed. The Company is very fortunate in having secured as its managing agent the well-known firm of Messrs Samuel, Sons & Co. of London, Yokohama, Formosa, and elsewhere. Having regard to the influence and interest they have in Japan, Formosa, and the East generally, that firm is in an undoubted position to gauge what the prospects of the Company are, and as you know, they are backing their opinion by subscribing largely to the capital of the Company. The present war between Japan and Russia, whatever its ultimate result may be, cannot adversely affect the prospects of the Company, for there are at present in Japan more than 4,000 miles of railway opened to traffic and in full and very profitable operation. Any one who has travelled in that country cannot fail to have been impressed by the enormous traffic, and with the fact that these 4,000 miles of railway are totally inadequate to the traffic requirements. Every train is overcrowded with passengers, and all the goods stations and depots are always piled up and almost bulging with merchandise waiting transit. The railway companies are busy doubling the existing lines, and the construction of new railways is being pushed on in almost every part of the Empire, and as soon as each section is completed it is opened for traffic. All the railways are very short of rolling stock, and the almost congested state of traffic to which I have referred proves; but they are remedying that as fast as they can. Locomotives and rolling stock will always be needed by these railways, and will be needed in increasing number as the traffic goes on developing; in fact the traffic development depends almost entirely on the increase of rolling stock. Locomotives and rolling stock wear out and require frequent repairs and renewals. Most of that work we expect to get. In addition to the great advantages which the Company will be able to offer in the very important matter of quicker and cheaper delivery of engines and rolling stock than if these were ordered from Europe or elsewhere (for from whatever foreign country they may be ordered, it takes from 14 months to 2 years, and frequently even longer than that, to obtain delivery, with its attendant inconveniences to the railways ordering them)—the cost of the inspecting in the country where the engines are built, the erection there for steam trial, the taking to pieces again, the packing for shipment to Japan, the cost of delivering to ship, the high rate of freight and insurance on heavy machinery, and the cost of the cost of landing and re-erecting in Japan, and the very high import duty on machinery there, add enormously to the cost of the engines, you will at once realise the very favourable position the Company will be in to successfully deal with at least a share of the work for the Japanese railways. For over a share of the work given by the Japanese railways, and a small share at that, will be sufficient to keep the rest of our works constantly and very profitably employed; probably employed even if we have to sell for very much lower prices than are paid for imported engines. But, gentlemen, I do not think we shall have to do so, for it is the intention of the manager to turn out work of the highest possible standard only. Our manager has long been closely connected with the design and sale of engines holding the very highest reputation in Japan, engines for which higher prices have been invariably paid than for any others in that country; and it is his intention, our intention as well, to take care that the work we build equals in every respect to the very best production of any part of the world. To that end, our workshops will be equipped with the best and most modern labour-saving and other machinery, the whole of which will be driven by independent electric motors, excepting such as will be worked by hydraulic and pneumatic power. We shall have our own steel converters, and our own copper-rolling mills; in fact we intend our works to be thoroughly up to date in every detail, so that no one will be able to turn out better work than ourselves, or at a lower cost price. Besides having our own wharf, our works will have a dock for the erecting of ships, practically the whole of the Japanese railway system, so that the bulk of our deliveries will take place on our own premises. We shall have little or no packing to do, no shipments excepting for work abroad, no expensive freight and insurance, and no import duty to be paid by our customers. The only import duty we shall have to pay will be 5 per cent. on whatever raw materials we have to import, which is a mere 5 per cent. on what has to be paid by imported iron and machinery. Gentlemen, these savings alone will not give us an advantage of more than 20 per cent. over any of our competitors. Then there will be the very great convenience to the railway companies themselves in being able to have their own inspectors on the spot so as to see for themselves that all the conditions of the specifications are honestly adhered to. The moving to them from that item alone will be a very considerable saving. The works will be under experienced and most careful management. Each department will be in charge of the very best and most experienced working foremen we can obtain from the best of the British workshops. The business management will be in the hands of our managing agents, and I think you will agree with me that the company's interests will at all times be as thoroughly and as efficiently looked after as it is possible for any interests to be. With all these advantages we shall be placed in an unique position, with practically no competition (certainly none worth mentioning) either for new work or for repairs. Under such circumstances we can, and we shall, look forward to unusually high dividend being paid, and I do not for one moment think that our expectations in that respect will not be amply and fully realised as soon as we get our works in operation.

Mr Paget Hot proposed that the report be passed. This was seconded by Mr Mourer and carried unanimously by the meeting.

Mr Eish proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman, which was carried unanimously.

The proceedings then terminated.—Communicated.

LOSS OF THE 'DEUTEROS.'

SAFETY OF THE CREW.
We are indebted to Messrs Siemens and Co. for the following information:—
HONGKONG, 18th February.

We are this morning in receipt of a telegram from Saigon informing us of the total loss of the German steamer *Deuteros* belonging to the Flensburger Dampfschiffahrts-Gesellschaft von 1893. The steamer was on her way from Saigon this. The crew has been saved by the steamer *Leroux* and apparently landed at Cape St. James.

A further cable from Saigon has been received by Messrs Siemens and Company to the effect that the Captain and crew have arrived at that port. The *Deuteros* is considered a total loss.

POLICE SHOOTING MATCH.

On Tuesday last, Chinese New Year Day, a rifle match between teams representing Inspectors and Sergeants against Lance-Sergeants and Constables of the Hongkong Police Force, took place. The conditions were:—ten men aside, seven rounds at 200, 300, 400 and 500 yards. Inspectors and Sergeants, and the Inspectors and Sergeants, and Police Constable Pitt, captured the other side. The day was fairly good for shooting, the light being excellent. The Inspectors and Sergeants had the best of the day, the first being below the average of former years. A team from the Police Force was always looked upon as winners in a match against any other team in the Colony, even teams from the Navy and Regulars having been defeated by the Police team. It must be remembered, however, that at that time the Chief of Police played an important part in promoting shooting amongst the members of the Police Force, and encouraged them to qualify themselves for the competitions.

The Inspectors and Sergeants won the match by 127 points. The scores in full are:—

INSPECTORS AND SERGEANTS.
Inspector Robertson ... 88
Inspector McNeil ... 70
Sergeant Ritchie ... 74
Inspector Courtney ... 67
Sergeant Cameron ... 67
Sergeant McHardy ... 65
Inspector Grant Gould ... 63
Sergeant Grant ... 62
Sergeant Garrick ... 68
Total ... 692

LANCE-SERGEANTS AND CONSTABLES.
P. C. Pitt ... 86
P. C. Clyde ... 70
P. C. Daveny ... 64
P. S. Abley ... 55
P. C. Curdell ... 53
P. C. Curdell ... 47
P. C. Evans ... 47
L. S. Brazill ... 45
L. S. Kunt ... 42
Total ... 575

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Hongkong, February 5, 1904. 167

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YAMA, Via SHAG, MOJI & KOBÉ (passing through the
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LONDON & Antwerp (via Hamburg) Noon, 27th February. See Special
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SHANGHAI & Antwerp (via Hamburg) About 28th February. Freight and
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For further Particulars apply to
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
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FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

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FROM STEAMERS DUE

GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL AGAMENON 2nd February.

GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL MENELAUS 27th February.

GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL RHODANUS 4th March.

GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL MACHAON 5th March.

GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL TELAMACHUS 12th March.

The S.S. OANFA from Pacific Coast has arrived.
The S.S. KREMLIN has arrived for Genoa, Marseilles and Liverpool.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL

LONDON & ANTWERP KINTUCK 19th Feb. p.m.

GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL KREMLIN 20th Feb. Noon.

LONDON & ANTWERP MOYUNE 1st March.

LONDON & ANTWERP GLAUCON 14th March.

GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL AJAX 20th March.

LONDON & ANTWERP JAK LING 29th March.

Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Port.

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A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

* Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze & Northern China Ports.
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Steamers Sailing Dates 1904.

SEYDLITZ 2nd Mar. WEDNESDAY, 2nd Mar.

ROON 16th Mar. WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar.

BRUSSEN 30th Mar. WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.

HAMBURG 13th Apr. WEDNESDAY, 13th Apr.

PRINZ HEINRICH 27th Apr. WEDNESDAY, 27th Apr.

OLDENBURG 11th May. WEDNESDAY, 11th May.

BAYERN 25th May. THURSDAY, 25th May.

SACHSEN 8th June. THURSDAY, 8th June.

ZITEN 22nd June. THURSDAY, 22nd June.

* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 2nd day of March, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship
SEYDLITZ, of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Captain FIEBIGER, with MAIL,
PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling
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Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 29th February. Cargo
and Specie will be received on Board until 5 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 1st March
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March.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than
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The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardses.
Linen can be washed on board.

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Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	To Sail.
SHAWMUT	9656	W. M. Smith	February 19.
TACOMA	2312	M. Ridley	February 26.
VICTORIA	3502	J. Truolstrup	March 16.
TREMONT	9656	T. W. Garlick	March 26.
OLYMPIA	2837	A. Dixon	April 27.

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RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila Direct	Feb. 20, at 10 a.m.
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PERLA	1980	A. H. Notley	"	"

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General Managers.

Hongkong, February 15, 1904.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

HEAD AGENT—R. BISSCHOP, 3, DUBBEL STREET, HONGKONG.
REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN
JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMERS.	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIPANAS	JAVA AND MACASSAR.	Second half of March.	JAPAN.	Second half of March.
TJILATJAP	JAPAN.	First half of March.	SINGAPORE, JAVA PORTS.	First half of March.
TJIDAH	JAVA AND MACASSAR.	Second half of February.	JAPAN.	Second half of February.

The steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light, and have accom-
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THE Steamship

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Captain HEALM, will be despatched for

the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 19th

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This well-known Steamer is specially fit-

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This Steamer is installed throughout with

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A Stewardess and a duly-qualified Sur-
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N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of
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have electric fans fitted in state-rooms.

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 2, 1904.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

SAMBA.

Captain LUNGO, will be despatched for

the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 23rd

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for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 27th

February, at Noon, taking Passengers and

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Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France

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will be transhipped at Colombo into

steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and

London; other cargo for London, &c., will

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Parcels will be received at this Office

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contents and value of all packages are

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G. de CHAMPEAUX,
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Hongkong, February 11, 1904.

'OLEN' LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

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THE Steamship

GLENGYLE

Captain T. DARR, R.N., will be despatched

as above on SATURDAY, the 5th

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McGREGOR BROS. & GOW,
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